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PLEASE DISCUSS FOLLOWING WITH JOHN RAE: 4

1. MR. DAVID MOSS, FOREIGN OFFICE (PUSD) VISITED ME TODAY FOR A GENERAL DISCUSSION ON FBIS AND THE FBIS-BBC RELATIONSHIP. (ROGER [REDACTED] WAS THE ONLY OTHER PERSON PRESENT.) 4

2. I REVIEWED THE PRODUCTION OF OUR PUBLICATIONS, RELATIONS WITH PRINCIPAL CONSUMERS SUCH AS POLICYMAKERS, AND RECENT DEVELOPMENTS, E.G., MUSLIM WORLD COVERAGE AND SOVIET SATELLITE MONITORING. IN LATTER REGARD, I EMPHASIZED THE PRESSURE FBIS IS UNDER TO EXPAND COVERAGE. 4

3. I STRESSED THE HIGHLY EFFECTIVE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE BBC MONITORING SERVICE AND FBIS, AS WELL AS WASHINGTON'S VIEW OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE RELATIONSHIP. 4

4. MOSS REFERRED TO THE CURRENT BUDGETARY RESTRAINTS ON UK GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS. AT THE SAME TIME HE EXPRESSED A VERY POSITIVE VIEW ABOUT THE BBC-FBIS RELATIONSHIP. 4

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